

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1796
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5TH AUGUST, 2025

IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF PMGKAY

1796 SHRI ADITYA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution be pleased to state:

- (a): the current implementation status of Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) across the country; and
- (b): the financial outlay for the food subsidy under PMGKAY?

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(a): The Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) is being successfully implemented in all the States/ Union Territories. At present against the intended coverage of 81.35 crore persons, 80.56 crore beneficiaries are covered for getting free-of-cost foodgrains under the PMGKAY.

(b): The Central Government, in order to remove the financial burden of the poor beneficiaries and to ensure nationwide uniformity had decided to provide food grains free of cost to beneficiaries i.e. Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) households and Priority Households (PHH) beneficiaries, for a period of one year beginning from 1st January 2023 under the PMGKAY. The period for distribution of free of cost foodgrains has been extended for further five years i.e. from 1st January, 2024, with an estimated financial outlay of Rs. 11.80 lakh crore totally to be borne by Central Government.
